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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Records Management Division, DDA  
Chief, Management and Policy Group, IMS/DDO

FROM:

[redacted]  
Chief, Classification Review Division

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SUBJECT:

Initial Report on the Survey of State Department  
Records for 1950-54 [redacted]

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1. On 2 June 1982 CRD officers [redacted] began the survey of 1950-54 State Department records at the Department to identify information of interest to CIA that may require continued protection. A total of 84 hours was spent in this initial effort. The 123 file series deals with administrative matters such as medical problems, reimbursement for goods damaged in shipment, reports on field trips, etc., and the material runs from TOP SECRET to unclassified. [redacted]

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2. The remainder of the 123 files, approximately 30 one-foot boxes, are the regular State files for the 1950-54 period containing administrative information as noted above. [redacted]

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[redacted]  
For some additional comments on these files see Attachment C and for samples of the type of documents contained in the 43 files see Attachment D. [redacted]

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4. In the 1945-49 State records that we reviewed previously at NARS, we encountered several file numbers or series which referred to CIA, a predecessor organization, or to intelligence matters of a more general nature. Since these were files of definite concern to us, we spot checked the central record card files for the 1950-54 period (which are on microfilm) to determine whether these previously identified files continued to be used during the 1950-54 period or to determine what files may have succeeded them.

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5. The correspondence found in the TOP SECRET 123 files was very consistent.

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6. The following questions are based on the review of the 123 files:

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b. Given the concentration of sensitive material in the one TOP SECRET box, should we ask State to withhold sending it to NARS?

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7. Recommendations by CRD:

a. Suggest that the 123 files be considered for temporary records status.

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c. Continue our survey of State 1950-54 records by checking the files cross-referenced in the 123 TOP SECRET File series. [Redacted]

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Attachments:

- A. [Redacted]
- B. [Redacted]
- C. Comments on some documents
- D. Document samples
- E. Sample Cross-reference sheets found

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